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Applicant(s): Liming Shao

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Amendment and Response

Dear Examiner Kishore:

In response to the final Office Action in the above-identified application, mailed August 5, 2003, the Applicants submit the following Amendment and Response.

Please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.